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### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL

Owing to the inactivity of the Academy during the past year the Executive Committee met only once, on February 22, 1946, to consider plans for the Annual Meeting. Only a few suggestions for a meeting place had been received and no actual invitations, hence the Committee concluded that it would be wise to meet at Columbus, partly to minimize travel and the need for hotel accommodations. Through the willingness of our members on the Ohio State University faculty this plan was carried out, with May 2, 3 and 4 as the dates for the meeting.

The Committee also considered the reinvestment of \$1300.00 received from called securities and authorized the Treasurer, Dr. C. E. Taft, to invest the sum in Government G Bonds.

It was thought useless to call a meeting of the entire Council prior to the Annual Meeting, hence this body also met but once, on May 2, 1946.

The meeting was called to order by President J. Ernest Carman with twenty-one members in attendance.

The meeting was occupied largely with reports of committees which are published in detail herewith. One only is excepted. This report, presented by Dr. T. H. Langlois for the Committee on Conservation, made several recommendations relating to the natural resources of Ohio which would involve legislation. On motion of Dr. John A. Miller, seconded by Dr. C. J. Willard, the report was accepted and its suggestions were opened for discussion. One, providing for the issuing of permits to competent scientists for collecting for scientific purposes animals protected by laws was unanimously approved by the Council on motion of Dr. F. H. Kreckler, seconded by Dr. Langlois. The Secretary was instructed to transmit copies of this recommendation to the Conservation Commission, the Conservation Committees of the House and Senate, and Mr. Roscoe W. Franks.

In discussion of the remaining suggestion the Secretary spoke on the activities of the Academy Conference of the A. A. A. S. recommending greater co-operation of state academies in the practical work of conservation and moved that the President appoint a committee of three, including members most familiar with legislative procedure, to consider these and other significant matters involving legislation. The motion was seconded by Dr. W. B. Steidtmann. Dr. Kreckler moved to amend by asking the committee to make recommendations to the Council at its next meeting. Dr. Glenn W. Blaydes seconded the amendment, which was passed. The amended motion was then passed by a majority vote. The report of the Conservation Committee is therefore being withheld from publication at this time, pending action by the newly authorized committee.

Dr. C. J. Willard reported for the Membership Committee a list of forty-three applications for membership, an exceptionally large number. These applications were duly accepted.

President Carman announced the appointment of a committee on the Junior Academy, authorized at the last meeting of the Council. The appointees are Dr. C. H. Bennett, Dr. Arthur Harper and Dr. F. H. Kreckler, Chairman.

Another item mentioned at the meeting which the Secretary believes to have been omitted from the last published report was the gift last year of \$100.00 to the research fund by Dr. Herbert Osborn. The Council had previously voted its thanks to Dr. Osborn for this generous gift.

The Secretary presented nominations for fellowship and the nominees, whose names are listed in the report of the Annual Meeting, were unanimously elected as Fellows of the Academy.

Dr. Paul Rothmund spoke on the formation of an Ohio Chemists' Committee on Professional Practice and the possibility of Section H becoming associated with it.

The meeting then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. LINDSEY, *Secretary*.

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